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### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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March 30, 2011

### **MEMORANDUM**

**SENSITIVE** 

TO:

The Commission

THROUGH:

Alec Palmer

Acting Staff Director

FROM:

Patricia Carmona

Chief Compliance Officer

Debbie Chacona **Assistant Staff Director** Reports Analysis Division

BY:

Jodi Winship/Sari Pickeral

Compliance Branch

SUBJECT:

Reason To Believe Recommendation – 2010 Year-End Report for the

Administrative Fine Program

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2010 Year-End Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). The Year-End Report was due on January 31, 2011.

The committees listed in the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report, filed the report more than five (5) days but no more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a late filed report), or filed the report more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a non-filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 CFR 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the attached circulation report.

### Recommendation

- 1. Find reason to believe that all other political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
- 2. Send the appropriate letters.

Federal Election Commission
Reason to Believe Circulation Report
2010 YEAR-END Not Election Sensitive 01/31/2011 H\_S\_P\_UNAUTH

RTB Penalty	\$3,850
POP	\$95,670 (est)
Days Late	Not Filed
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Threshold	\$191,340
Treasurer	LARRY W. PICKETT
Candidate Name	TRAYLOR, CHET D
Committee Name	CHET D TRAYLOR FOR US SENATE CAMPAIGN
Committee	2403   C00486662
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2465 C00475038 THO	THOMAS C CASTELLANO CAMPAIGN FUND	CASTELLANO, THOMAS C	MARK A. GARCIA	\$102,513	•		Not Filed	\$20,503 (est)	\$550
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## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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THE COMMITTEE TO ELECT DINO LAVERGHETTA, and LAVERGHETTA, ROSE as treasurer;	)	AF# 2464	

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THOMAS C CASTELLANO CAMPAIGN ) AF# 2465 FUND, and MARK A GARCIA as ) treasurer; )	
<u>CERTIFICATION</u>	
I, Shelley E. Garr, Deputy Secretary of the Federal Election Commission,	
hereby certify that on April 01, 2011 the Commission took the following actions of	n
the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2010 Year-End Report for the	
Administrative Fine Program as recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's	
Memorandum dated March 30, 2011, on the following committees:	
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AF#2403 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHET I TRAYLOR FOR US SENATE CAMPAIGN, and LARRY W PICKETT as treas violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil mon penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate lett Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub v affirmatively for the decision.	urer ey er.

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AF#2433 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JOHNSON FOR CONGRESS, and HARRY JOHNSON as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#2464 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that THE COMMITTEE TO ELECT DINO LAVERGHETTA, and LAVERGHETTA, ROS treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the comoney penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the approprial letter. Commissioners Bunerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weining voted affirmatively for the decision.  AF#2465 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that THOMA CASTELLANO CAMPAIGN FUND, and MARK A GARCIA as treasurer violated U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty we the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissione Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively the decision.	ivil ate asab as C ed 2 would ers

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April 4, 204

Shelley E. Garr / Deputy Secretary



April 4, 2011

Myrna Phillips Oakley, in official capacity as Treasurer Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010
Park West Finance Station, P.O. Box 20445
New York, NY 10025

C00482893 AF#: 2434

Dear Ms. Oakley:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file a Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements every calendar year. This report, covering the period through December 31, 2010, was due no later than January 31, 2011. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was not filed within thirty (30) days of the due date. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act permits the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4). On April 1, 2011, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before January 31, 2011. Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$990. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.30-11.46. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine program works and how the fines are calculated. See <a href="http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml">http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml</a>. 11 C.F.R. § 111.34. Your payment of \$990 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by May 11, 2011, and is based on these factors:

Sansitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive

Level of Activity: \$35,600 Number of Days Late: Not Filed

Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

### 1. If You Choose to Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found at the top of page 1 under your committee's identification number, to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review, 999 E Street.

NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or May 11, 2011. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, and must include the factual basis supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly encourages that documents be submitted in the form of affidovits or declarations, 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(c).

The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on at least one of three grounds: (1) a factual error in the RTB finding; (2) miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or (3) your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 hours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of circumstances that will be considered reasonably unforescen and beyond your control include, but are ant limited to, (1) a failure of Commission continuters or Commission-provided software despite your seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; (2) a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by a failure of the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and (3) severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) negligence; (2) delays caused by vendors or contractors; (3) treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; (4) committee computer, software, or Internet service provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates; and (6) failure to use filing software properly. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d).

The "failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver" of your right to present such argument in a petition to the U.S. district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

## 2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Mimey Panulty and Not to Submit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty and do not submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA"), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action authorized and required by the DCA, as amended, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. § 111.51(a)(2).

### 3. If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance form, along with your payment, to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at <a href="http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml">http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml</a>. If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Sari Pickerall in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Bauerly

Chair

### **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty ealculated at RTB is \$990 for the 2010 Year-End Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission P.O. Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC #979058 1005 Convention Plaza Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by May 11, 2011. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

### PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

### PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010

FEC ID#: C00482893

AF#: 2434

PAYMENT DUE DATE: May 11, 2011

**PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$990** 

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April 28, 2011

Ms. Cynthia L. Bauerly
Chair, Federal Election Commission
Office of Administrative Review
999 E Street NW
Washington, DC
20463

COO482893 AF#: 2434

Dear Ms. Bauerly,

I am writing in response to your letter dated April 4, 2011. I would like to apprise you of the following facts:

- 1. I never received any correspondence that additional filings were due. I mistekenly thought that once the primary was over that the campaign and hence, my responsibility, had finished. The only correspondence I have ever received was your letter dated April 4, 2011.
- 2. Ms. Johnson, working with Ms. Jill Sugarman of the FEC has completed the filings which were due for the quarters ending Dec. 31, 2010 and March 31, 2011. In fact, Ms. Johnson did all of the filings during this campaign.
- 3. Ms. Johnson has assured me that she will be responsible for any fines which are due and owing since I had no access to the records or software which were needed to file in a timely manner nor was I aware that any additional filings were in fact necessary.

I am appealing to you to please reconsider the amount of the fine given the foregoing and the fact that I served as Treasurer as a favor to Ms. Johnson and received no compensation. I trust that you will take the foregoing into consideration as you deliberate this matter.

Sincerely,

Myrna Phillips

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Via First Class Mail

May 17, 2011

Myrna Phillips Oakley, in official capacity as Treasurer Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 Park West Finance Station P.O. Box 20445 New York, NY 10025

C00482893 AF# 2434

Dear Ms. Oakley:

On May 16, 2011, the Commission's Office of Administrative Review ("OAR") received your written response ("challenge") which is being reviewed by OAR. If you have any questions regarding your challenge, please contact this Office on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

FEG OFFICE OF ADMIN REVIEW

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Date: May 16, 2011

# REFERRAL TO OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW CHALLENGE RECEIVED

**AF#: 2434** 

Committee Name: Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010

Committee ID#: C00482893

Committee Address (if different than in RTB letter): 1020 Grand Concourse, 20D

Bronx, NY 10451

Treasurer Name (if different than in RTB finding): N

### Attachments:

Copy of RTB Circulation Report, dated March 30, 2011 and RTB Certification, dated April 4, 2011 (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Proof of Delivery (to be forwarded at later date if not yet received) (Y/N): Y

Attachment #: 1

Telecoms and Visitcoms in Response to RTB Letter (Y/N): Y

Attachment #: 2

Other Relevant Telecoms (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Original Correspondence Received by RAD in Response to RTB Letter (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

RAD Staff Declaration (Y/N): Y

-2010 Year End Report Prior Notice, dated December 27, 2010.

-Non-Filer Letter, dated February 16, 2011.

-RTB Letter, dated April 4, 2011.

Attachment #: 3

Other RAD Information: (Y/N): Y

Attachment#: 4



## **Delivery Notification**

Dear Customer,

This notice serves as proof of delivery for the shipment listed below.

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04/13/2011 10:00 A.M.

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Sincerely, **UPS** 

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### **DECLARATION OF JODI WINSHIP**

- 1. I am the Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Chief of the Compliance Branch, I oversee the initial processing of the Administrative Fine Program. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could and would testify competently to the following matters.
- 2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Joyce Iohnson for Congress 2010:
  - A) Prior Notice, dated December 27, 2010, referencing the 2010 Year End Report (sent via electronic mail to: JOYCE@JOYCEFORCONGRESS2010.COM;
  - B) Non-Filer Letter, dated February 16, 2011, referencing the 2010 Year End Report;
  - C) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated April 4, 2011, referencing the 2010 Year End Report.
- I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Joyce
  Johnson for Congress 2010 filed the 2010 Year End Report with the Commission on April
  15, 2011.
- 4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foragoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011.

Jodi Winship
Chief, Compliance Branch
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission



### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

December 27, 2010

### **CURRENT REPORT DUE**

### I. 2010 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

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REPORT	PERIOD) #	TRILITINA SEGI DIROLITINA W	DAB, AJEYLIONIS
Year-End	11/23/10 - 12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

## II. UNSUCCESSFUL 2010 PRIMARY ELECTION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES AND CANDIDATES NOT ACTIVE IN 2010 ELECTIONS

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Year-End	10/01/10 - 12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

# NOTE FOR COMMITTEES NOT REQUIRED TO FILE A POST-GENERAL ELECTION REPORT CHART II (see above)

For candidates who ran in 2010 but did not participate in the general election, the reporting period for the Year-End Report spans two election cycles. For this report only, committees should instead use the Post-Election Detailed Summary Page (FEC Form 3, Pages 5-8). Committees should not use the normal Detailed Summary Page.

### Click here for Supplemental Filing Information

See Page 2 for 2011 Reporting Schedule

A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

## **REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR 2011**

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April Quarterly	03/31/11	04/15/11	04/15/11	
July Quarterly	06/30/11	07/15/11	07/15/11	
October Quarterly	09/30/11	10/15/11	10/15/11 <sup>2</sup>	
Year-End	12/31/11	01/31/12	01/31/12	

Click here for Supplemental Filing Information

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Notice that this filing deadline falls on a weekend. Filing deadlines are not extended when they fall on nonworking days. Accordingly, reports filed by methods other than Registered, Certified or Overnight Mail, or electronically, must be received before the Commission's close of business on the last business day before the deadline.

# 2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

### WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates <sup>1</sup> (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file a Year-End Report on January 31, 2011. <sup>2</sup>

Campaigns that raise or spend more than \$5,000 for the 2010 election cycle (and thus trigger registration and reporting requirements) must file quarterly reports throughout 2010, even if the candidate plans to retire, withdraws from the race prior to the primary election, loses the primary or drops out of the race prior to the general election. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Cummission. See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

### METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

#### **Electronic Filing**

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- <u>Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees (Candidate Guide)</u>, pp. 82-84 [PDF]

### Paper Filing - Meeting the Filing Deutline

Paper Report filing options -- Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: <u>Link to Paper Forms</u> (for downloading and printing)
- Candidate Guide, p. 81 [PDF]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Generally, an individual becomes a candidate for federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions or expenditures. If the campaign has not crossed the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports. See 11 CFR 100.3(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If a candidate has more than one authorized committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on <u>Form 3Z</u> [PDF].

### COMPLIANCE

### **Treasurer Responsibility**

Committee Treasurers are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. See 11 CFR 104.14(d).

- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceedings [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, p. 7 [PDF]

### **Administrative Fine Program**

Political committees and their treasurers who fail to file their reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- and non-filers). <sup>3</sup> See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program
- <u>■ Candidate Guide, pp. 81-82 [PDF]</u>

### DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Campaign committees must file <u>FEC Form 3L</u> [PDF] if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the applicable reporting period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

• The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]

### 2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE

- Web Page: <u>2010 Reporting Dates Page</u>
  The *Record*: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, p. 79 [PDF]

### IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION - PAPER FILERS

In response to the 2001 anthrax threat, the U.S. Postal Service is irradiating mail directed to many federal agencies, including the FEC and the Secretary of the Senate. <sup>4</sup> This process has not only delayed mail delivery, it has also damaged and in some cases destroyed pieces of mail. As a result, committees that file reports with the FEC may want to consider submitting their reports by some means other than U.S. mail. Alternative methods include electronic filing, overnight mail or delivery service, and hand delivery.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Penalties for late- or non-filing of 48-hour notices are based on the uncent of contributions not timely disclosed. As a result, these penalties may exceed \$17,600, even for first-time violations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Senate committees should contact the Secretary of the Senate at (202) 224-0322 for more information on filing reports via US mail.



## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20163

**RQ-7** 

MYRNA PHILLIPS OAKLEY, TREASURER JOYCE JOHNSON FOR CONGRESS 2010 PARK WEST FIMANCE STATION PO HOK 20445 NEW YORK, MY 10025

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00482893

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT 10/1/2010 - 12/31/2010

DEAR TREASURER:

IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FAILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT, AS AMENDED.

IT IS IMBURTART THAT YOU FILE TEIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE BREERAL BURCTION COMMISSION, RD9 B STHEET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. BD463 FOR MONIES CANDIDATES, OR THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, 232 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510 (MAILING ADDRESS: OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS, P.O. BOX 2517, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22301), FOR SENATE CANRIDATES. PLAIRSE BOTE IMMIT HISTORIC FILERS MEET SUBMIT TIRAL REMONTS ELECTROBICALLY, AS FER 11 CWR \$104.18. A CHOY OF THE REPORT MUST ALSO BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR INJUIVALENT STATE ORFICER WILEGS THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE AND MAINTAIN PAPER COPIES. YOU CAN VERIFY THE COMMISSION'S RECEIPT OF ANY DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY YOUR COMMITTEE ON THE FEC

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FF YOU HAVE ART (RESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER, KLEASE SONTACT DAM WHEREHER RT OUR TOLL FREE HUMBER (800) 424-9530. OUR DIRECT LOCAL NUMBER IS (202) 694-1130.

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REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION (RAD)



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June 30, 2011

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer

Acting Staff Director

From:

Patricia Carmona 🗥 **Chief Compliance Officer** 

Dayna C. Brown

**Reviewing Officer** 

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Reviewing Officer Recommendation in AF# 2434 - Joyce Johnson for

Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as

Treasurer (C00482893)

The attached Reviewing Officer Recommendation is being circulated on an informational basis. A copy was also sent to the respondents in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents may file with the Commission Secretary a written response within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation.

After the 10 day period, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation and the respondents' written response, if any, will be circulated to the Commission to make a final determination.

Attachment



## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 30, 2011

# REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("OAR")

AF# 2434 – Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer (C00482893)

#### **Summary of Recommendation**

Make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess no civil money penalty.

#### Reason-to-Believe Background

On April 1, 2011, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 Year End Report and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$990 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. A letter was mailed to the respondents' address of record from the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on April 4, 2011 to notify them of the Commission's RTB finding and civil money penalty. The letter was undeliverable at the address of record, therefore on April 12 a copy of the letter was sent to an alternate address provided by the respondents. It was successfully delivered on April 13.

#### Legal Requirements

The Federal Election Campaign Act ("Act") states that the treasurer of a principal campaign committee shall file a report for the quarter ending December 31 no later than January 31 of the following calendar year. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2)(A)(iii) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(1)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on January 31 to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.19(c) and 104.5(e). The treasurer shall be personally responsible for the timely filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

#### Respondents' Challenge

On May 16, 2011, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the Treasurer who states that she mistakenly thought once the primary was over, the campaign and her responsibilities were over. She further states she never received any correspondence that additional filings were due and that the Candidate, working with the Committee's Reports Analyst, has since completed the Year End Report. The Treasurer states that the Candidate did all the filings during the campaign and has assured hor she would be responsible for any fines since the Treasurer did not have access to the records and software needed to file the report timely. The challenge asks that the Commission reconsider the amount of the fine given these facts.

#### Analysis

Although the challenge contends that the respondents thought the campaign was over following the primary, because they did not file a Termination Report on or before January 31, 2011, indicating that the Committee will no langer receive contributions or make disbursements, that there are no outsinnding debts or obligations and the purpose for which any residual funds will be used, they were required to file the Year End Report. 11 C:F.R. § 102.3 and 2 U.S.C. § 433(d).

Additionally, while the Treasurer states that they received no correspondence informing them that additional reports were due, Commission records indicate the respondents were notified of their requirement to file the Year End Report and the report's due date, before and after the filing deadline. On December 27, 2010, the Commission sent the Report Notice for the 2010 Year End Report to "JOYCE@JOYCEFORCONGRESS2010.COM," the email address listed on their Statement of Organization. On February 1, 2011, the day after the report was due, ("EFO") the Electronic Filing Office sent an email notification "JOYCE@JOYCEFORCONGRESS2010.COM," an email address provided by the respondents, stating that they failed to file the report. A third correspondence regarding the report was sent on February 16, 2011, when the Commission mailed a non-filer letter to their address of record. Following their April 13 receipt of the Commission's RTB letter, the respondents filed the Year End Report on April 15, 74 days late.

With respect to the challenge's contention that the Candidate filed all the Committee's reports, the regulations are clear that the Treasurer is personally responsible for the timely, accurate and complete filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

Under the administrative fine regulations, one of the criteria used to calculate the civil money penalty is the level of activity. 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(d). At the time of the RTB finding for the 2010 Year End Report, the Commission had not received the respondents' report; therefore, an estimated level of activity (\$35,600) was used to calculate the RTB civil money penalty. 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(d)(2)(i). On April 15, 2011, the respondents filed the 2010 Year End Report disclosing no receipts and no disbursements, resulting in a level of activity of \$0 for the reporting period. Since the level of activity is \$0 and the schedule of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for eivil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty should be assessed against the respondents.

Their challenge fails to address any of the three valid grounds at 11 C.F.R § 111.35(b). These are: (i) the RTB finding is based on factual errors; and/or (ii) the improper calculation of the civil penalty; and/or (iii) they used best efforts to file on time but were prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond their control and they filed the report no later than 24 hours after the end of these circumstances. The other issue raised in the challenge (that the Treasurer served in the position as a favor to the Candidate and received no compensation), also does not fall within the list of defenses unumerated at 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). Therefore, the Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(e) and assess no givil mency penalty.

#### **OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2434 involving Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2434 that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed for the period (\$0), assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$990); and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

Reviewing Officer: Dayna C. Brown

#### **Attachments**

Attachment 1 - Challenge Received from Respondents

Attachment 2 – Supplemental Request sent to and Response received from the Information Technology Division

Attachment 3 – Declaration from RAD, Telecoms Provided with the Declaration, and Memorandum to File

Attachment 4 – Declaration from OAR

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April 28, 2011

Ms. Cynthia L. Bauerly Chair, Federal Election Commission Office of Administrative Review 999 E Street NW Washington, DC 20463

COO482893 AF#: 2434

Dear Ms. Bauerly,

I am writing in response to your letter dated April 4, 2011. I would like to apprise you of the following facts:

- 1. I never received any correspondence that additional filings were due. I mistakenly thought that once the primary was over that the campaign and hence, my responsibility, had finished. The only correspondence I have ever received was your letter dated April 4, 2011.
- 2. Ms. Johnson, working with Ms. Jill Sugarman of the FEC has completed the filings which were due for the quarters ending Dec. 31, 2010 and March 31, 2011. In fact, Ms. Johnson did all of the filings during this campaign.
- 3. Ms. Johnson has assured me that she will be responsible for any fines which are due and owing since I had no access to the records or software which were needed to file in a timely manner nor was I aware that any additional filings were in fact necessary.

I am appealing to you to please reconsider the amount of the fine given the foregoing and the fact that I served as Treasurer as a favor to Ms. Johnson and received no compensation. I trust that you will take the foregoing into consideration as you deliberate this matter.

Sincerely,

Myrna Phillips

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#### **DECLARATION OF JODI WINSHIP**

- 1. I am the Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Chief of the Compliance Branch, I oversee the initial processing of the Administrative Fine Program. I make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could and would testify competently to the following matters.
- 2. I hereby cartify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Joyce Jakoson for Congress 2010:
  - A) Prior Notice, dated December 27, 2010, referencing the 2010 Year End Report (sent via electronic mail to: JOYCE@JOYCEFORCONGRESS2010.COM;
  - B) Non-Filer Letter, dated February 16, 2011, referencing the 2010 Year End Report;
  - C) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated April 4, 2011, referencing the 2010 Year End Report.
- 3. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 filed the 2010 Year End Report with the Commission on April 15, 2011.
- 4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 16th day of May, 2011.

Jodi Winship Chief, Compliance Branch Reports Analysis Division

Federal Election Commission



#### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

#### **CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES**

December 27, 2010

#### **CURRENT REPORT DUE**

#### I. 2010 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

		REG./CERT. &	
	REPORTING	OVERNIGHT	FILING
REPORT	PERIOD '	MAILING DEADLINE	DEADLINE
Year-End	11/23/10 12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

## II. UNSUCCESSFUL 2010 PRIMARY ELECTION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEES AND CANDIDATES NOT ACTIVE IN 2010 ELECTIONS

REPORT	REPORTING PERIOD <sup>1</sup>	REG./CERT. & OVERNIGHT MAILING DEADLINE	FILING DEADLINE
Year-End	10/01/10 - 12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

# NOTE FOR COMMITTEES NOT REQUIRED TO FILE A POST-GENERAL ELECTION REPORT CHART II (see above)

For candidates who ran in 2010 but did not participate in the general election, the reporting period for the Year-End Report spans two election cycles. For this report only, committees should instead use the Post-Election Detailed Summary Page (FEC Form 3, Pages 5-8). Committees should not use the normal Detailed Summary Page.

Click here for Supplemental Filing Information

See Page 2 for 2011 Reporting Schedule

A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

## **REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR 2011**

REPORT	CLOSE OF BOOKS '	REG./CERT. & OVERNIGHT MAILING DEADLINE	FILING DEADLINE
April Quarterly	03/31/11	04/15/11	04/15/11
July Quarterly	06/30/11	07/15/11	07/15/11
October Quarterly	09/30/11	10/15/11	10/15/11
Year-End	12/31/11	01/31/12	01/31/12

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Notice that this filing deadline falls on a weekend. Filing deadlines are not extended when they fall on nonworking days. Accordingly, reports filed by methods other than Registered, Certified or Overnight Mail, or electronically, must be received before the Commission's close of business on the last business day before the deadline.

# 2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

#### WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates <sup>1</sup> (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file a Year-End Report on January 31, 2011. <sup>2</sup>

Campaigns that raise or spend more than \$5,000 for the 2010 election cycle (and thus trigger registration and reporting requirements) must file quarterly reports throughout 2010, even if the candidate plans to retire, withdraws from the race prior to the primary election, loses the primary or drops out of the race prior to the general election. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Commission. See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

#### METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

#### **Electronic Filing**

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- <u>Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees (Candidate Guide)</u>, pp. 82-84 [PDF]

#### Paper Filing - Meating the Filing Deatiline

Paper Report filing options -- Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Candidate Guide, p. 81 [PDF]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Generally, an individual becomes a candidate the federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions or expenditures. If the campaign has not crossed the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports. See 11 CFR 100.3(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If a candidate has more than one authorized committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on Form 3Z [PDF].

#### **COMPLIANCE**

#### Treasurer Responsibility

Committee Treasurers are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. See 11 CFR 104.14(d).

- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceedings [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, p. 7 [PDF]

#### **Administrative Fine Program**

Political committees and their treasurers who fail to file their reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- and non-filers). <sup>2</sup> See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program
- <u>Candidate Guide</u>, pp. 81-82 [PDF]

#### DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Campaign committees must file <u>FEC Form 3L [PDF]</u> if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the applicable reporting period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

• The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]

#### 2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE

- Web Page: 2010 Reporting Dates Page
- The Record: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, p. 79 [PDF]

#### IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION - PAPER FILERS

In response to the 2001 anthrax threat, the U.S. Postal Service is irradiating mail directed to many federal agencies, including the FEC and the Secretary of the Senate. <sup>4</sup> This process has not only delayed mail delivery, it has also damaged and in some cases destroyed pieces of mail. As a result, committees that file reports with the FEC may want to consider submitting their reports by some means other than U.S. mail. Alternative methods include electronic filing, overnight mail or delivery service, and hand delivery.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Penalties for late- or non-filing of 48-hour notions are based on the remount of contributions not timely disclosed. As a result, these penalties may exceed \$17,600, even for first-time violations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Senate committees should contact the Secretary of the Senate at (202) 224-0322 for more information on filing reports via US mail.



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MYRNA PHILLIPS CAKLEY, TREASURER JOYCE JOHNSON FOR COMGRESS 2010 PARK NUST FINANCE STRUMM PO NOK R9645 MEN YORK, NY 3.0075

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00482893

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT 10/1/2010 - 12/31/2010

DEAR TREASURER:

IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FAILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT. AS AMENDED.

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REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION (RAD)



April 4, 2011

Myrna Phillips Oakley, in official capacity as Treasurer Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010

-- Park West Finance Station, P.O. Box 20445
New York, NY 10025

C00482893 AF#: 2434

Dear Ms. Oakley:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file a Year End Report of Receipts and Disbursements every calendar year. This report, covering the period through December 31, 2010, was due no later than January 31, 2011. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was not filed within thirty (30) days of the due date. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act pennits the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4). On April 1, 2011, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before January 31, 2011. Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$990. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.30-11.46. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine program works and how the fines are calculated. See <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/af/af.shtml">http://www.fcc.gov/af/af.shtml</a>. 11 C.F.R. § 111.34. Your payment of \$990 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, or by May 11, 2011, and is based on these factors:

Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive

Level of Activity: \$35,600 Number of Days Late: Not Filed

Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

### 1. If You Choose to Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found at the top of page 1 under your committee's identification number, to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review, 999 E Street,

NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or May 11, 2011. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money populty, and must include the factual basic supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly esconcages that donuments he submitted in the form of affidavits or declarations. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(c).

The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on at least one of three grounds: (1) a factual error in the RTB finding; (2) miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or (3) your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control, 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 nours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of eigungatances tirat will be cancidered reasonably unforeseen and heyand your control include, but are not limited to, (1) a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite your seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; (2) a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by a failure of the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and (3) severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) negligence; (2) delays caused by wendors or contractors; (3) treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; (4) committee computer, software, or Internet pervice provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates; and (6) failure to use filing software properly. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d).

The "failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver" of your right to present such argument in a petition to the U.S. district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Paniety and Not to Subsuit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty and do not submit a written response, the FBC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA"), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action surhorized and required by the DCA, as amonded, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. § 111.51(a)(2).

#### 3. If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance form, along with your payment, to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final denomination letter.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at <a href="http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml">http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml</a>. If you have quantions regarding the payment of the calculated civil mornly penalty, please contact Sari Pickerall in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Bauerly

Chair

### **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$990 for the 2010 Year-End Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission P.O. Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC #979058 1005 Convention Plaza Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by May 11, 2011. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

#### PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

#### PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010

FEC ID#: C00482893

AF#: 2434

PAYMENT DUE DATE: May 11, 2011

**PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$990** 

#### **DECLARATION OF DAYNA C. BROWN**

- 1. I am the Reviewing Officer in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Officer, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
- 2. The 2010 Year End Report is due January 31, 2011. If electronically filed, it must be received and validated by the Commission at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on January 31 to be timely filed
- 3. I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are the true and accurate copies of:
  - (a) Page 1 of the Amended Statement of Organization filed by Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myma Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the Statement was received on July 26, 2010, and hists "JOYCE@JOYCEFORCONGRESS2010.COM" as the Committee's email address; and
  - (b) Page 1 of the Summary Page and pages 3 through 6 of the Detailed Summary Page for the 2010 Year End Report electronically filed by Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Joyce Stanley Johnson, Candidate. According to the Commission's records, the report covers the period from October 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 and was received on April 15, 2011. Line 16, column A lists \$0 in total receipts for the period. Line 22, column A lists \$0 in total disbursements for the period.
- 4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Washington on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June, 2011.

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

Federal Election Commission

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# STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION

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## **POST-ELECTION DETAILED** SUMMARY PAGE Report of Receipts and Disbursements

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#### VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

July 6, 2011

Myrna Phillips Oakley, in official capacity as Treasurer Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 1020 Grand Concourse, 20D Brunn, NY 10451

C00482893 AF# 2434

Dear Ms. Oakley:

On April 1, 2011, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer ("respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 Year End Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$990 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing the written response and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination in this matter. A copy of the Reviewing Officer's recommendation is attached.

You may file with the Commission Secretary a written response to the recommendation within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your written response should be sent to the Commission Secretary, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. As a result of the anthrax threat in the Washington, DC area, US Postal Service mail delivery to federal agencies, including the Commission, has been interrupted. Until regular mail delivery resumes, you may also file your written response with the Commission Secretary via facsimile (202-208-3333) or by courier at the same address (if you use an overnight delivery service, please use zip code 20004 instead of zip code 20463). Please include the AF # in your response. Your response may not raise any arguments not raised in your original written response or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Commission will then make a final determination in this matter.

Please contact me at the toll free number 800-424-9530 (press 0, then press 1660) or 202-694-1660 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

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# July 25, 2011 SENSITIVE

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer

**Acting Staff Director** 

From:

Patricia Carmona

Chief Compliance Officer

Dayna C. Brown

**Reviewing Officer** 

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Final Determination Recommendation in AF# 2434 – Joyce Johnson for Congress

2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer

(C00482893)

On April 1, 2011, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 Year End Report. As a result, the Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$990 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On April 15, 2011, the respondents filed the Year End and disclosed \$0 in total receipts and \$0 in total disbursements. Since the report indicates that the Committee had no activity during reporting period, and the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for civil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty would have been assessed had the report been filed prior to the RTB finding.

On May 16, 2011, the Commission received the respondents' written response ("challenge"). After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer's recommendation dated June 30, 2011 was forwarded to the Commission, a copy was sent to the respondents, and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that they violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and based on the actual level of activity for the Year End reporting period (\$0), assess a civil meney penalty of \$0 because they submitted no evidence that a factual error was made in the RTB finding, that the penalty was miscalculated at RTB or that they used best efforts to file on time. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b).

Within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation, the respondents may file a written response with the Commission Secretary which may not raise any arguments not raised in the respondents' challenge or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). As of this date, a written response has not been received.

#### **OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2434 involving Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2434 that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phlllips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed for the period (\$0), assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$990); and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

#### BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)	
Final Determination Recommendation -	) AF 243	4
Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and	)	
Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official	)	
capacity as Treasurer (C00482893)	)	

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on August 03, 2011, the Commission decided by a vote of 4-0 to take the following actions in AF 2434:

- 1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2434 involving Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination.
- 2. Make a final determination in AF# 2434 that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and Myrna Phillips Oakley, in her official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed for the period (\$0), assess no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$990).
- 3. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioners Petersen and Walther did not vote.

Attest:

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Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



August 5, 2011

### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Myrna Phillips Oakley, in official capacity as Treasurer Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 Park West Finance Station P.O. Box 20445 New York, NY 10025

C00482893 AF# 2434

Dear Ms. Oakley:

On April 1, 2011, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 Year End Report. By letter dated April 4, 2011, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty oriculated at RTB of \$990 in accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On May 16, 2011, the Office of Administrative Review received your written response, challenging the RTB finding and civil money penalty.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission's RTB finding with its supporting documentation and the written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission reduce the RTB civil money penalty because it was calculated using an estimated level of activity, make a final determination that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(n) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed on the Year End Report (\$0), assess no civil money penalty, in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The basis for the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was included in the Final Determination Report, a copy of which was sent to you on July 6, 2011.

On August 4, 2011, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer's recommendation, made a final determination that Joyce Johnson for Congress 2010 and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the level of activity disclosed on the Year End Report (\$0), assessed no civil money penalty (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$990). It is based on the same factors used to calculate the civil money penalty at RTB except that the actual rather than the estimated level of activity was used. A copy of tha final determination recommendation is attached.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to 11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within 30 days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote.

If you have any questions, please contact Dayna Brown on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Bauerly

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# FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington DC 20463

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